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Docket No.: 381092000720
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of:

Terrance P. SNUTCH et al.

Application No.: 09/346,794

Filed: July 2, 1999

For: NOVEL HUMAN CALCIUM CHANNELS
AND RELATED PROBES, CELL LINES AND
METHODS

Confirmation No.: 2888

Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: N. Basi

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 25 January 2005, time for response to which was set to expire 25 April 2005. The considered claims, claims 25-32, 35, and 38, were rejected; the remaining claims, 33-34, 36-37, 39, and 40 were withdrawn from consideration. There is only one substantive ground for rejection – asserted lack of utility. There is no rejection over the art. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.